

**§ 90-85.21D. Dialysis facilities as designated agents to receive home medications for patients with renal failure.**

Pharmacies may ship medications for home use by patients with renal failure to renal dialysis facilities for delivery to (i) patients who receive dialysis treatments in a Medicare certified dialysis facility or (ii) patients who self-dialyze at home, provided that all of the following criteria are met:

- (1) The patient authorizes, in writing, the dialysis facility staff to act as the patient's designated agent for the purpose of receiving mailed medical packages at the dialysis facility.
- (2) The pharmacy, whether in-state or out-of-state, is licensed as a pharmacy in North Carolina.
- (3) The medications for home use are dispensed by the licensed pharmacist pursuant to a valid prescription order.
- (4) The delivered medication packages are held in a secure location in an area not accessible to the public and delivered by the dialysis facility staff, unopened, to the patient.
- (5) Medication packages are individually labeled with the patient name.
- (6) The medications exclude controlled substances, as defined under G.S. 90-87. (2015-28, s. 1.)